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In the Claims:

1-4. (Cancelled)

5. (Currently Amended) The mount as claimed in claim 4-13 wherein said fastener threadably engages an aperture within said substantially horizontal portion.

6-12. (Cancelled)

13. (Currently Amended) A mount for securing a sink within an opening in a countertop having at least one side, said sink having a channel disposed proximate a lip portion, wherein said mount comprises:

a body portion including:

a substantially vertical section;

a channel engagement section proximate a first end of said substantially vertical section having a first aperture, said channel engagement section sized and shaped to engage an outer surface of said sink channel; and

a substantially horizontal section having a second aperture and a first end disposed proximate a second end of

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said substantially vertical section;

a fastener adapted to be disposed through said first and said second aperture, said fastener having a head portion adapted to engage said sink channel; and

a flexible sink engagement section including:

a first section having a first end disposed proximate a second end of said substantially horizontal section; and

a second portion having a first end disposed proximate a second end of said first section, said second section having a tip adapted to engage a substantially vertical face of said opening in said countertop when said sink is disposed within said opening in said countertop.

- 14. (Currently Amended) The mount as claimed in claim 13 wherein said fastener further includes a threaded shaft and a boltnut.
- 15. <u>(Currently Amended)</u> The mount as claimed in claim 13 wherein said first section is disposed at an angle <u>(Al)</u> relative to said body portion, wherein said angle <u>(Al)</u> is between about 30 and about 60 degrees in an unbiased condition.

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16. <u>(Currently Amended)</u> The mount as claimed in claim 13 wherein said second portion is disposed at an angle <u>(A2)</u> relative to said first section, wherein said angle <u>(A2)</u> is between about 15 and about 30 degrees in an unbiased condition.

17-20. (Cancelled)

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21. (New) The mount as claimed in claim 14 wherein said substantially horizontal section includes a second aperture aligned with said first aperture and wherein said fastener is adapted to be disposed through said first and said second aperture such that said nut is adapted to be disposed proximate a bottom surface of said substantially horizontal section.

22. (New) The mount as claimed in claim 14 wherein said nut is adapted to be disposed proximate a bottom surface of said channel engagement section proximate said first aperture.